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1. SUMMARY: GOJ FOLLOWED UP PM FUKUDA'S PROPOSAL FOR
ENHANCED US-JAPAN SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION BY PRESENTING
SPECIFIC IDEAS ON JULY 11. GOJ PROPOSES COOPERATION NEW
ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT. US REPS NOTED GENERAL
AGREEMENT ON MOVING AHEAD WITH GOJ PROPOSAL, PERHAPS EN-
LARGING ITS SCOPE. THEY PROPOSED INFORMING BONN SUMMIT OF
PROPOSAL AND SUGGESTED AIMING FOR EXPERTS MEETING TO BE
HELD BY END OF AUGUST. END SUMMARY.

2. COUNSELOR HIROAKI FUJII ACCOMPANIED BY SCIENCE COUNSEL-
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OR KIICHIRO NAGARA, AND FIRST SECRETARY KAZUO SUZUKI OF
JAPANESE EMBASSY MET AT NSC WITH SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
ADVISER BENJAMIN HUBERMAN, NSC STAFF NICK PLATT AND STATE
REP ON JULY 11 TO ELABORATE ON PM FUKUDA'S PROPOSAL FOR
ENHANCED US-JAPAN SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION. FUJII SAID THAT
PM WAS INTERESTED CHIEFLY IN WORKING WITH US IN NEW ENERGY
FIELD. HE SAID PM'S CRITERIA FOR ANY PROJECTS WERE THAT

THEY BE LARGE SCALE AND LONG TERM WITH A VISIBLE IMPACT

ON PUBLIC OF BOTH COUNTRIES. FUJII THEN PRESENTED TWO PAPERS WITH SOME DETAIL AND REQUESTED US REACTION AT AN EARLY DATE. (PAPERS SEPT-EL)

3. FUJII SAID THAT FOLLOWING PRELIMINARY DISCUSSIONS, GOJ WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A MEETING OF JAPANESE AND AMERICAN "REPRESENTATIVES AND EXPERTS" TO DISCUSS:

(A) TYPES OF POSSIBLE JOINT PROJECTS

(B) MANAGING JOINT COOPERATION

(C) RELATION OF PROJECTS TO EXISTING ARRANGEMENTS

(D) OTHER MATTERS.

HE ADDED THAT PM FUKUDA WOULD SEE PRESIDENT CARTER AT BONN SUMMIT AND WOULD LIKELY MENTION THE SUBJECT OF S & T COOPERATION.

4. HUBERMAN NOTED THAT PRESIDENT CARTER'S REACTION TO PM FUKUDA'S PROPOSAL FOR INCREASED SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION HAD BEEN MOST FAVORABLE AND THAT THE PRESIDENT HAD, IN FACT, HOPED THAT SUCH COOPERATION COULD EXTEND BEYOND CONFIDENTIAL

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THE ENERGY FIELD. WITH THIS IN MIND, HE SAID, US SIDE PREPARED TO HAVE THE TWO LEADERS BRIEF THE REST OF THE BONN SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS ON THEIR DECISION TO UNDERTAKE A JOINT EFFORT AND THAT THE NEXT STEP WOULD BE A MEETING OF EXPERTS.

5. MR. FUJII EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT, AS THE JAPANESE HAD JUST FOR THE FIRST TIME FLESHED OUT THE DETAILS OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S PROPOSAL, THE BONN SUMMIT MIGHT BE TOO EARLY TO DISCUSS THE PLAN. HE WOULD PASS THE US PROPOSAL TO TOKYO FOR COMMENT. HUBERMAN SAID THAT HE SAW NO SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS SINCE THE US AND JAPANESE SIDES HAD RECENTLY DISCUSSED THIS PROCEDURE AND WERE IN BASIC AGREEMENT. HE ADDED THAT ANOTHER APPROACH WOULD BE FOR THE PRIME MINISTER TO ANNOUNCE THE PLAN IN GENERAL TERMS TO THE SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS, NOTING THAT PRESIDENT CARTER HAD REACTED FAVORABLY AND THAT THERE WOULD BE A MEETING IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

6. SOME DISCUSSION FOLLOWED ON THE NATURE OF THE MEETING. ALL AGREED THAT THE PARTICIPANTS SHOULD BE PEOPLE WHO COULD MAKE DECISIONS ON THE SPOT. BOTH SIDES ALSO AGREED

THAT WE SHOULD REMAIN FLEXIBLE WITH REGARD TO PARTICIPANTS, LOCATION, AGENDA AND OTHER DETAILS. AS FOR

TIMING, THE US SIDE PRESSED FOR AS EARLY A DATE AS POSSIBLE, SUGGESTING AIMING FOR LATE AUGUST. HUBERMAN TOLD FUJII THAT THE US SIDE WOULD PROVIDE COMMENT ON THE GOJ PROPOSAL WITHIN THREE WEEKS. FUJII SAID HE WOULD TRY TO PROVIDE GOJ VIEWS ON THE SUMMIT ANNOUNCEMENT AND THE EXPERTS' MEETING BY TOMORROW (JULY 12).

7. HUBERMAN THEN PROVIDED THE FOLLOWING PRELIMINARY US COMMENTS ON THE GOJ PAPER:

(A) SCOPE. GOJ PAPER LIMITED THE SCOPE OF THE PRO-CONFIDENTIAL

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POSAL TO R & D ON NEW ENERGY SOURCES. THIS MAY BE ACCEPTABLE, ALTHOUGH PRESIDENT CARTER'S WISH WAS TO ENHANCE COOPERATION IN ALL SCIENTIFIC FIELDS. SUCH AREAS AS HIGH ENERGY PHYSICS AS CONTINENTAL MARGIN DRILLING FOR HYDROCARBONS MIGHT ALSO BE INCLUDED. WE SHOULD ADDRESS THIS QUESTION OF SCOPE SOON.

(B) FUNDING. HUBERMAN NOTED THAT THE SPECIFIC GOJ PROPOSAL WAS MORE FLEXIBLE ON MATTER OF FUNDING. HE SAID THE US PREFERRED SUCH FLEXIBILITY BECAUSE SOME US AGENCIES MIGHT REGARD THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT FUND AS DIMINISHING THEIR OWN CONTROL AND INVOLVEMENT.

(C) MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE. HUBERMAN SAID HIS INITIAL REACTION WAS THAT THIS IDEA WAS A GOOD CONCEPT FOR OVERSEEING THE VARIOUS PROJECTS. IF THE ESSENCE OF THE PROPOSAL REMAINED IN THE ENERGY FIELD, HE NOTED, THE SECRETARY OF ENERGY MIGHT CHAIR THE US SIDE.

(D) AUTHORITY. ANOTHER ISSUE WHICH WE WOULD HAVE TO DECIDE PROMPTLY IS WHETHER THE GOJ PROPOSAL REQUIRED NEW BILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS OR WHETHER IT SHOULD FIT INTO EXISTING AGREEMENTS.

8. HUBERMAN SUMMARIZED IMMEDIATE PENDING ACTIONS AS FOLLOWS:

(A) JAPANESE EMBASSY WOULD PROVIDE WITHIN A DAY OR SO GOJ COMMENTS ON EXPERTS' MEETING AND TREATMENT OF SCIENTIFIC COOPERATION PROPOSAL AT BONN SUMMIT.

(B) US WOULD PROVIDE RESPONSE TO SPECIFIC GOJ IDEAS (AS EXPRESSED IN FUJII "NON-PAPER") WITHIN THREE WEEKS.
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(C) BOTH SIDES WOULD AIM FOR AS EARLY A MEETING DATE
AS POSSIBLE, REMAINING FLEXIBLE ON DETAILS. CHRISTOPHER

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